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CALIFORNIA MAN SENTENCED FOR CONSPIRACY TO DISTRIBUTE ECSTASY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a California man was sentenced in federal court today for his role in a conspiracy to distribute ecstasy.

Charles William Feltenberger, 27, of San Diego, Calif., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Howard F. Sachs this morning to four years and 10 months in federal prison without parole.

On Feb. 28, 2003, **Feltenberger** pleaded guilty to his role in a conspiracy to distribute approximately 1,140 grams of ecstasy. **Feltenberger** admitted that he engaged in the distribution of ecstasy from May 1, 2001, until July 19, 2001. **Feltenberger** was indicted on the charge on Aug. 6, 2002. According to Graves, the total amount of ecstasy attributable to **Feltenberger** during the course of the conspiracy is approximately 6,000 pills.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney W. Brent Powell. It was investigated by the Platte County, Mo., Sheriff's Department, the Clay County North Metro Drug and Gang Task Force, the Metro Methamphetamine Drug Task Force and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

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